

Bread Loaf eWeekly

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Your Guide to This Week at Bread Loaf

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Welcome to Sneaky Week #5

Greetings, Bread Loafers —

There's something about Week 5 in a Bread Loaf session that stirs up all the feelings. We imagine you're neck-deep in your research, writing, revising, and (maybe) scrambling. But, there is time. You've got this. Your peers are there to support you, challenge you, and give you guidance. Don't go this alone.

That said, it's also a very busy week of co-curricular activities with music, workshops, and a devised performance by the Bread Loaf Acting Ensemble, *Re-emergence*, using submissions from the community. We hope you have time to join us at any of the events as a break from your studies and an opportunity to learn even more. If you've missed some of the earlier co-curricular events, see below for a listing of links to recordings of the events, so that after your work is done, you can participate all the same.

And, one last thing for your brains. We are moving ahead with planning for the Bread Loaf Student Symposium, to be held on July 29th at 11:00 am EDT. See a message from Lyndon Dominique below. This is an opportunity to share your work and, honestly, is a great addition to any résumé.

Sending our best wishes for a successful Week #5!

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This Week at Bread Loaf

Sun, July 18	7:00 PM	Blue Parlor	A perennial favorite returns this summer on Sunday evenings. Find the group on BreadWeb for more info. REGISTER HERE
Mon, July 19	7:00 PM	Kronos Quartet	The Kronos Quartet performs in a new film composed and directed by Nicole Lizée. Nicole's new work, <i>ZonelyHearts</i> , was inspired by 1960s television programs. REGISTER HERE
Tues, July 20	10:30 AM	"Discovering Your Unconscious Race, Gender/Career, and Sexuality Biases," with Dr. Bentley Gibson	This interactive workshop will increase participants' awareness and understanding of implicit race, gender, and sexuality biases and the impact of implicit bias on real-world general behaviors, academic practices, and work practices. REGISTER HERE

Tues, July 20	3:00 PM	Teachers Teaching Teachers	Each week, teachers meet to share ideas, resources, and experiences. This week, the topic is (Re)Establishing Routines in the Post-COVID Classroom. REGISTER HERE
Wed, July 21	1:00 PM	<i>Francis Bacon: Revelations</i> , and Lifewriting: Annalyn Swan & Mark Stevens	Note new date and time: These Pulitzer-winning co-authors spent 10 years researching and writing the first definitive biography of the life and art of Francis Bacon. REGISTER HERE
Fri, July 23	5:00 PM	<i>Re-emergence</i>	A virtual presentation by the Bread Loaf Acting Ensemble, based upon original writing by members of the Bread Loaf community. Poetry, prose and music. A remembrance of our losses and a celebration of our hopes for the future. REGISTER HERE
Fri, July 23	Midnight	<i>Deadline to Submit proposals for Symposium</i>	See message from Lyndon Dominique below.

Bread Loaf Student Symposium

A message from Lyndon Dominique, Associate Director

Dear Bread Loafers,

We're almost at the end of the 2021 summer session. And as you're putting the final polish on the tutorial think-pieces you've been working so hard to produce, we encourage you to consider presenting your work at our Bread Loaf Student Symposium on **Thursday, July 29th at 11am**. If you'd like to share your critical, creative or pedagogical work and ideas with the Bread Loaf community during this event, please forward your name, the title of your project and a brief 3-5 sentence overview by **midnight, Friday, July 23rd** to jeweber@middlebury.edu.

News for Graduating Seniors!

Scroll to the end of the eWeekly for detailed information about all of the events for Seniors.

From [Denny Gonzalez](#): Seniors! A handful of reminders as we approach the final stretch:

OVERVIEW (all times Eastern)

- Headshots for graduation are due to [Denny](#) by 11:59 pm tonight (7/18)!
- Senior Meeting: Tues., 7/20 at 3 pm [[Register here](#)]
- Senior Cruise: Sat., 7/24 at 7 pm [[Register here](#)]
- Digital Time Capsule: Due Wed., 7/28 at 11:59 pm
- Graduation: Sat., 7/31 at 4 pm — log on early at 3:30 pm

Bulletin Board

Announcements, news, job openings, photos, etc. Send your updates to jeweber@middlebury.edu.

Teachers Teaching Teachers (T3)

Hillary Howard-Fredrick is coordinating T3 this summer. Teachers Teaching Teachers is exactly what it sounds like — each week, we share our questions and knowledge around different pedagogical topics. For more information, check out the BreadWeb group. This group has created a powerful Google drive of resources, so pop in (or BreadWeb message Hillary). [REGISTER HERE](#)

Here is the schedule of remaining topics for the summer:

July 20: (Re)Establishing Routines in the Classroom

July 27: Making the Canon More Accessible

BLTN Journal

We encourage teachers to consider the [Bread Loaf Teacher Network Journal](#) as a possible venue for publication of work produced this summer. Tom McKenna, who edits the journal, will be glad to review submissions; please contact him at tpmckenna@middlebury.edu.

Discovering Unconscious Biases Workshop

On July 20th at 10:30 AM, The Bias Adjuster, Dr. Bentley Gibson, will lead Bread Loafers in the workshop, "Discovering Unconscious Race, Gender and Sexuality Biases." A graduate of both Spelman College and Emory University, Dr. Gibson's research focuses on implicit biases — associations that people may be unaware they possess, yet still impact their behaviors. This student-centered workshop will be a safe space for Bread Loafers to learn about implicit biases in a non-judgmental setting, and it's also an opportunity for us to discuss strategies for greater inclusivity and equity in our professional and personal lives.



To prepare, however, there's some homework:

- [REGISTER HERE](#) for Dr. Gibson's active workshop and discussion, "Discovering Unconscious Race, Gender and Sexuality Biases."
- Take the 3 brief Implicit Association Tests (IAT) outlined in the attachment. [CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD](#)
- Make a note of your test results.
- Bring your test results and any questions you have about the IAT tests or implicit biases in general to Dr. Gibson's workshop and discussion on July 20th, 10:30-12 noon.

News from Bread Loaf Teacher Network

BLTN meeting on Thursday, July 22, 7:00 pm

"Networking Across Difference: A Model for Enriching the Classroom"

In his dialogic presentation, Professor Wandera will reflect on his journey from Andover Bread Loaf (beginning in 1999) to the Bread Loaf School of English and the Bread Loaf Teacher Network (BLTN). Through recollections of challenges and triumphs of cross-cultural exchanges, and cultural anecdotes, David hopes to

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[Bread Loaf Facebook Page](#)

[Bread Loaf Google Calendar](#)

spotlight some aspects of the transformative nature of BLTN and hopefully inspire former and new members to see possibilities for undertaking various kinds of collaborative projects. After David's presentation, BLTN fellows will discuss their collaboration ideas for the academic year.

This is the final BLTN meeting of the summer, open, as always, to all members of the Bread Loaf community. [REGISTER HERE](#).

BreadWeb Tips

Contact Tom McKenna (message on BreadWeb or email tpmckenn@middlebury.edu) with any BreadWeb questions.

The BLTN General group on BreadWeb was this week's most active spot, with discussion topics including the Navajo-Kentuckian collaboration and ensuing food literacy work, collaborations with teachers in Kenya (about 20 years apart), and ["How Do I Language?"](#), a recent article by Bread Loafers Collin LaJoie and Whitney Morgan documenting their efforts to integrate Professor April Baker-Bell's writing about linguistic justice into their ninth grade curriculum. All are welcome to join these conversations in the BLTN General group. And... our latest pin on the map extends our range to Taipei! (Haven't signed on to BreadWeb yet? It's not too late. Contact Tom at tpmckenn@middlebury.edu if you need a hand.)

Get Your Links Here!

For those who have been unable to attend co-curricular events, here are the links to the available videos. More to come.

[Bread Loaf Acting Ensemble Reading of Shakespeare's *Pericles*](#)

[Alice Joubin's workshop on Fighting Anti-Asian Racism](#)

[Drew Lecture with Bakari Sellers](#)

[Rex Lee Jim discusses COVID's Effects on the Navajo Nation](#)

[Moira Smiley Concert](#)

What's the Weather Where You Are?

Your photos and weather reports

This week's weather photo is from Alex Christa. Thank you Alex!

Pictured is a double rainbow near Fajada Butte at Chaco Canyon (sacred and historically important site of the Ancestral Puebloan peoples) in what is known as Nageezi, NM. The photo was taken during the golden hour on Friday, July 9, after a brief, cooling rainstorm. That weekend I was hiking and camping at Chaco with Bread Loaf graduate Jessica Russell (2019) from MA and Loafer-on-hiatus Courtney Gamage from TX.



Senior Corner!

IN DETAIL (again, all times Eastern]

Graduation: Graduation is Saturday, July 31, 2021 at 4 pm on Zoom.

- Seniors should enter the Zoom at 3:30 pm; you will be sent a special link unique to you.
- If you have not confirmed your mailing address for your gift box with [Elaine](#) yet, please let her know ASAP so that it arrives in time for the ceremony.
- Please email Denny a headshot for graduation by tonight at 11:59 pm. My deepest thanks to those who have already submitted their photos.

Senior Meeting: We will have a senior meeting on Tuesday, July 20th at 3 pm to go over some brief graduation logistics. My goal is to be done in 30 minutes. Register [here](#).

- The meeting will be recorded for those who cannot attend.

Tentative Agenda:

- Welcome / Shout-Outs, Updates, Reminders
- Graduation logistics:
 - Ceremony overview
 - Speaker(s)
 - Diploma news
 - Pomp and circumstance
- Any Other Business

Senior Cruise: A virtual Senior Cruise (think Pond Reading x Blue Sky/Parlor or Deep Hall) will take place on Saturday, July 24th. Register for it [here](#). **Special Guests:** The Bread Loaf Acting Ensemble, Lars Engle, Alfredo Luján, Jeff Nunokawa, Amy Rodgers, and more!

Digital Time Capsule: How do you bring the magic of Bread Loaf with you? What things call Bread Loaf to mind for you? Share those things (20–21 of them) in a photo on BreadWeb by Wednesday, July 28, at 11:59 pm if you are so inclined.

Historical Snippets

Here is another recipe from Alfreda DeGray's recipe box.

As a longtime cook at Bread Loaf (from 1945 to 1987), she created many of the sides, desserts, and beverages for the School of English and the Writers Conference. Use this recipe at your next gathering!

